

**How To Overcome Apathy**  
**#SermonApathy**  
**God's Promises To Overcomers - Part 7**  
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**The Church in Laodicea - Revelation 3:14-20**

**Five Steps That Will Rekindle Your Passion**

**1. LIVE YOUR** \_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation 3:14** To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. (NIV)

**2 Corinthians 1:20** For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding "Yes!" And through Christ, our "Amen" ...ascends to God for his glory. (NLT)

**John 18:37** ...I was born... so that I could witness to the truth. Everyone who cares for truth, who has any feeling for the truth, recognizes my voice. (MSG)

**1 Peter 2:21** It was to this that God called you, for Christ himself suffered for you and left you an example, so that you would follow in his steps. (TEV)

**2. EVALUATE YOUR** \_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation 3:15-16** I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! <sup>16</sup> So, because you are lukewarm--neither hot nor cold--I am about to spit you out of my mouth. (NIV)

**1 Kings 8:61** But your hearts must be fully committed to the LORD our God, to live by his decrees and obey his commands... (NIV)

**3. ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR** \_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation 3:17-18** You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. <sup>18</sup> I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see. (NIV)

**Isaiah 55:1** The LORD says, "Come, everyone who is thirsty— here is water! Come, you that have no money— buy grain and eat! Come! ...it will cost you nothing! (TEV)

#### 4. RESTORE YOUR \_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation 3:19-20** **Those whom I love I rebuke** and discipline. So **be earnest, and repent.** <sup>20</sup> Here I am! I **stand at the door** and **knock**. If anyone **hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in** and **eat with him**, and he with me. (NIV)

**Hebrews 12:6** The Lord **corrects the people he loves** and **disciplines those he calls his own.** (CEV)

**Romans 5:2** ...We **throw open our doors to God** and discover at the same moment that **he has already thrown open his door to us.** (MSG)

#### 5. ANTICIPATE YOUR \_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation 3:21-22** To him who **overcomes**, I will give **the right to sit with me** on my throne, just as I **overcame** and sat down with my Father on his throne. <sup>22</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. (NIV)

**2 Timothy 2:12** And if we think that our present service for him is hard, **just remember** that some day **we are going to sit with him** and **rule with him.** (LB)

**Ephesians 1:20-22** God raised him from death and set him on a throne in deep heaven, <sup>21</sup> in charge of running the universe, everything from galaxies to governments, no name and no power exempt from his rule. And not just for the time being, but forever. <sup>22</sup> He is in charge of it all, has the final word on everything. At **the center of all** this, Christ rules the church. (MSG)